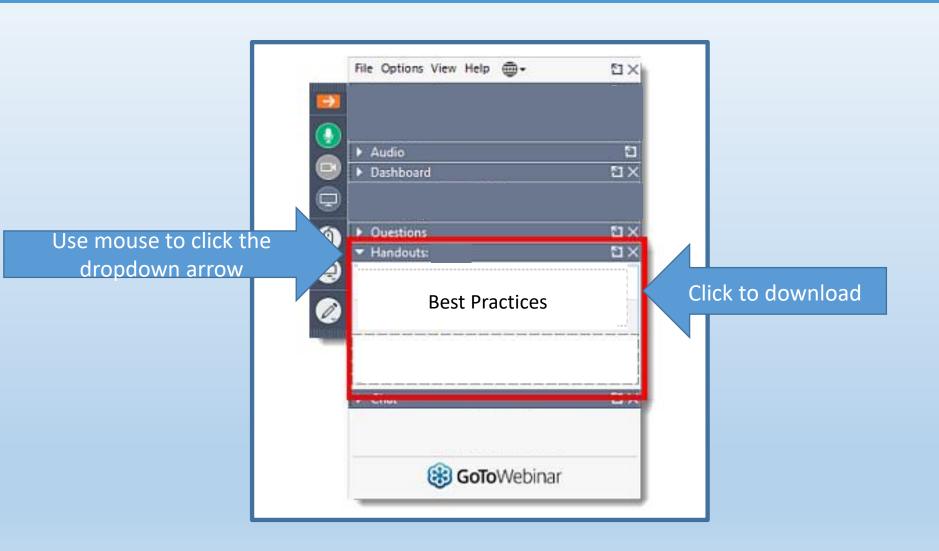
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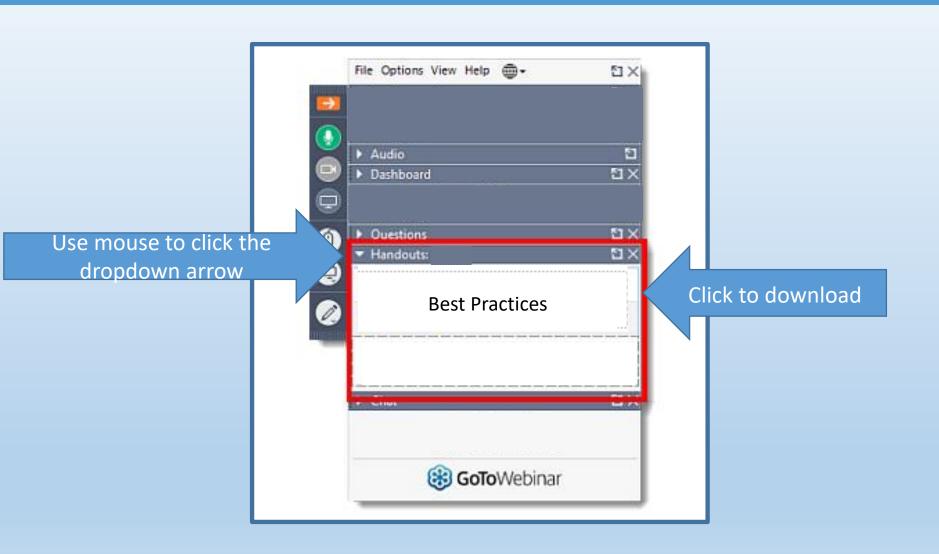
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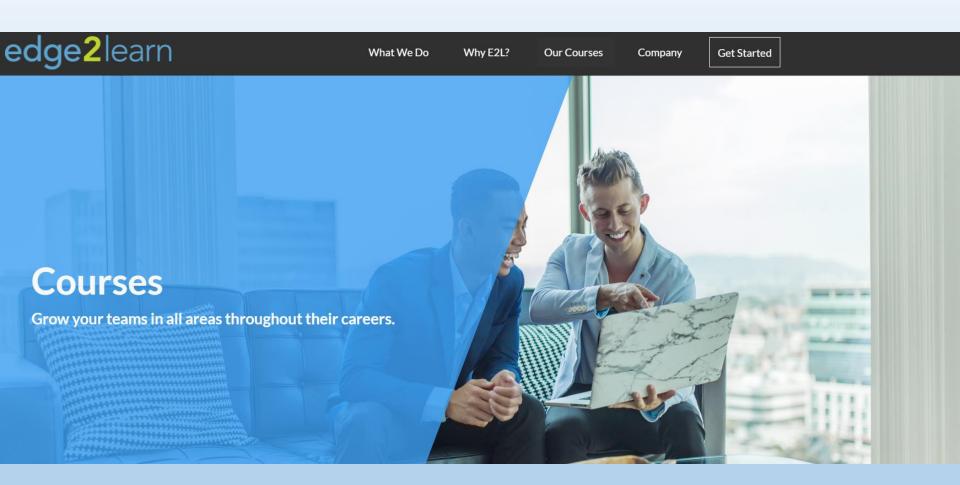




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## **COVID-19 Resource Center**



COVID-19 is a pendemic that has affected everyone in our industry both in business and personal life. We have technology that allows us to continue business interactions until things return to normal. With this in mind, we've created resources to assist you with adjusting and taking preculations as needed. Together, we'll keep the multi-family industry moving forward and ready to handle what comes next.















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Outside Resources: Learning from Others!





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## **Ellis Virtual Mystery Shops**

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| Shopping | Report | Score |
|----------|--------|-------|
|          |        |       |

| 55 CM 8865 3970                  | Possible Points | Earned Points | Percentage |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| First Impression Experience      | 15              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Information Gathering Experience | 30              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Touring the Apartment Experience | 23              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Closing Experience               | 21              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Follow Up Experience             | 11              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Virtual Leasing Experience Total | 100             | 0             | 0.0%       |

Virtual Leasing Experience Mystery Shops



## **Ellis Self-Guided Tour Mystery Shops**

## Self-Guided Tour Mystery Shops

|                              | Possible Points | Earned Points | Percentage |
|------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| Telephone Experience         | 100             | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Telephone Total              | 100             | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Onsite Greeting              | 10              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Onsite Information Gathering | 10              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Onsite Tour                  | 25              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Onsite Closing               | 25              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Follow-Up                    | 30              | 0             | 0.0%       |
| In-Person Total              | 100             | 0             | 0.0%       |
| Grand Total                  | 200             | 0             | 0.0%       |

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## Thank you for joining us today!

#### Want to learn more?



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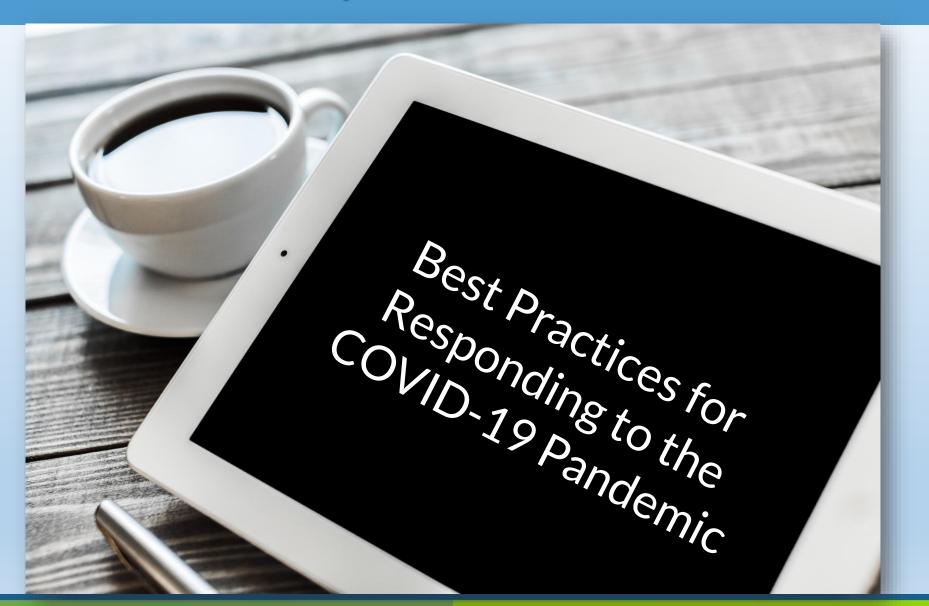








## Today's Presentation!



## Meet Your Speaker

#### Jamin Harkness



- Jamin is the Executive Vice President, Partner at The Management Group, a southeast-based multifamily development and management company.
- He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communication and has an MBA from Kennesaw State University and holds CAM and CAPS designations from the National Apartment Association.
- He an Apartment All Star speaker and has led national and local seminars on topics ranging from operations, technology and marketing.
- Jamin recently started a weekly Multifamily Leadership Huddle weekly webinar/conference call with industry leaders.

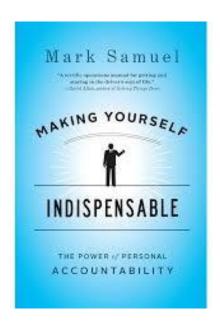
## Roadmap for Today's Session

- The Accountability Loop
- Operational Adjustments (On-Site Leasing Centers)
- Maintenance Service Adjustments
- Corporate Office Adjustments
- Repository
- Q&A



## **Accountability Loop**

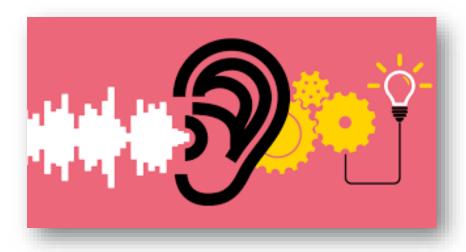
 Making Yourself Indispensable / The Power of Personal Accountability by Mark Samuel





## My way is better!

- Friday, March 13, on Jamin's drive to work...
- To receive and evaluate ideas and resources from many companies;
   then to formulate your own action plan
- Absorb ideas then figure out which interpretation of the idea best works for your organization



## Operational Adjustments

On-Site & Leasing Centers

## Leasing Offices Closed for Prospects/Tours

- First consideration office team members
- One person works daily in office, doors locked, curbside valet package pick up, move ins and move outs
- All other office team members work from home
- Transition from physical threshold to digital threshold



#### **Virtual Tours**

- Define it for your company (many types) & get organized
  - Video (record and send a link)
    - Produced at the property or at corporate level?
    - Consider online publishing, captions, account ADA, copywrite & Fair Housing
  - 1-1 Facetime—by appointment
  - Self-Guided Vacant Unit Tours by appointment
  - Guided Virtual Tours -by appointment
  - Promote virtual tours with easy signage (fence banners, yard signs, modified panels)





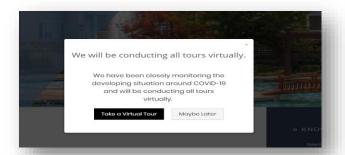


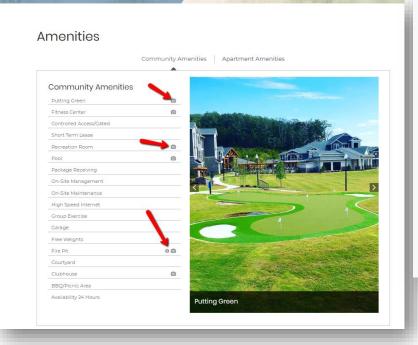


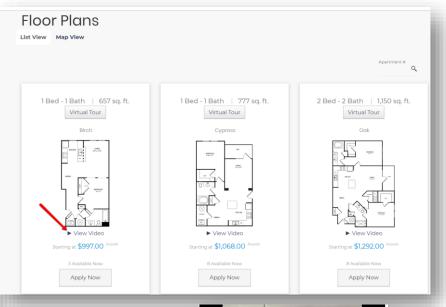
## Leverage Website

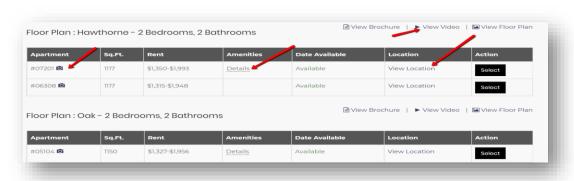
- Announce Virtual Tours
- Adjust "Appointment Scheduling" and nudges
  - Adjust to "Virtual Tour Scheduling"
- Enhance Amenity Pages (add photos)
- Add photos to Vacant Available Apartments
- Add video for each floor plan
- Utilize all features on website (location map)
  - Don't have a map fiverr.com or aptcards.com

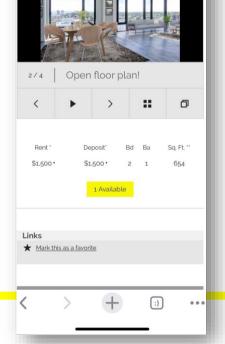








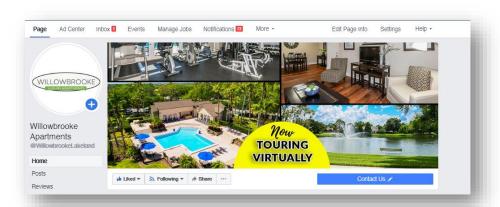




#### Social Media

- Lean into Social Media (respect mobile platform preference)
- Schedule Posts on multiple platforms
- Choose appropriate articles
- Creative Posts
  - Interact with Residents and Prospects
- Learn TikTok
- Now is good time for positive PR

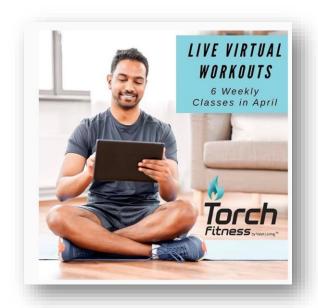






### **Amenities**

- Closed Fitness Center
- ADD online classes
- ADD outdoor classes





## Daily Activity Reporting (DAR)

- For Leasing and Assistants
- Self Accountability
- Transparency for leadership/ownership into daily activities
- Adds structure for first time WFR's (Work From Home)
- Let's take a look...



| Total # in Unreviewed Que at start of day: *  | 1  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Total # in Unreviewed Que at end of day: *  | 0  |  |
| Total # in My Que at start of day: *  | 7  |  |
| Total # in My Que at end of day: *  | 0  |  |
| Total # in Community Que at start of day: *   | 25   |  |
| Total # in Community Que at end of day: *   | 0  |  |
| Number of Leases I closed so far this week (beginning Monday work week Monday-Sunday) *   | 0  |  |
| Number of Renewals I closed so far this week (beginning Monday work week Monday-Sunday) * | 4  |  |
| Delinquency Activity *  | Lots and lots today. Had to do forensic accounting on 2 of them, Brandon and Jack, involving looking through all deposits and fi |  |
|   | to fix Brandon, Then Jack, required multiple emails to try and explain, all the way back to March as well.                       |  |

| Leasing and Assistants: Describe Renewal Activities today: *                      | Worked on 2 more today. 1 has signed, but pet screening is not complete.  |
|---|---|
| NTV Save Activities: *  | None today.   |
| SOCIAL MEDIA: Did you complete the SM activities on the SM Calendar for today? *  | Ashley did.   |
| RESIDENT CARE: what did you complete today? *                                     | a few work order calls and check ups.<br>research I had to do on two accounts was very important  |
| How many prospects did you engage with today? Any virtual tours? Any hot leads? * | 2. I did do a virtual tour for 1 of them. The other one I ran out of time tod<br>tomorrow. It is a 3 bedroom, but does not match her floor preference. I to |
| Any resident interactions your Manager should know about? *                       | There were a couple, but I updated my manager throughout the interaction  |
| Are you documenting Resident interactions via MEMOS in Yardi? *                   | Yes   |
| Any other comments, etc?  | Not today. It's super busy lately, I'm leaving work, exhausted as heck.   |
| Rate the ease of use of this report? *  | 5   |

### Communication with Residents

- Simple, Clear, Bullet Points
- Weekly
- Empathy Questions for Residents (source: Mark Howell)
  - How are you holding up with everything?
  - What can I do to make your situation better?
  - What has been the hardest part?



## **Pricing Strategies**

- New Lease Pricing FREEZE
- Renewal Offers
  - Extend at same rate
  - Modest increase
  - Extend MTM
- Save a NTV
  - Keep calling!



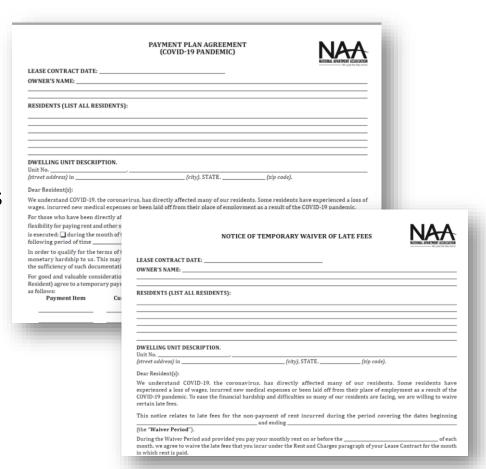
## Technology Infrastructure

- Computers
- VOIP App on cell phone



## Collection Strategies

- Deferred Rent over time
- Waive Late Fees
- Flexible Payment Arrangements
- NAA/GAA Addenda
- Scripted Responses



# Maintenance Team Adjustments

## 2 Approaches

- 1. Emergency Work Orders Only
- 2. Business as usual with Enhanced Protections
  - Enhanced Protections
    - 3 Question Survey before each entry into an occupied apartment:
      - 1. Has anyone in the apartment home traveled internationally within the last two weeks?
      - 2. Does anyone in the apartment home have a fever?
      - 3. Is anyone in the apartment home taking care of someone who has been sick?
    - PPE Required: Gloves, Booties, Masks



## **Supplies**

- Monitor availability of supplies
- Order 2 months of supplies at a time



## Stay Busy List

- What other projects could be accomplished during this time?
  - Pressure Washing
  - Paint
  - Amenity cleaning
- More Residents at home = More Work Orders



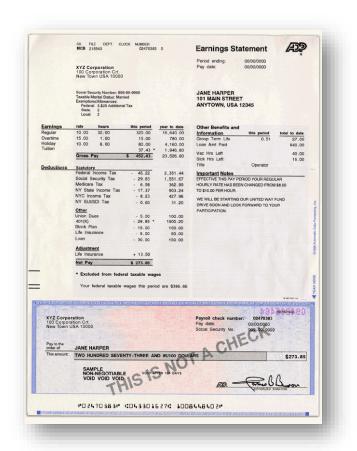
## **Essential Worker Travel Authorization Letter**

- One per Team Member
- Carry with you all times
- Benefit of Team Member understanding



## **Compensation Options**

- Increase in hourly
- Bonus (one time discretionary)
- Add sick time



# Corporate Team Member Adjustments

## Alignment of Departments and Properties

- Weekly calls and reporting from Property Manager and each corporate Department Head unify goals
- Better understanding of each job role



## General Strategies

## Daily Check In

Good Morning!

- All Team Members
- Say, "Good Morning," and "Good Evening" to your Supervisor
- Via:
  - Text
  - Teams



## Team Meeting

- Important for goal alignment and continuity
- Regular Meetings for ALL positions
  - Agenda
  - Share Session
  - Ideas
  - Recognition



## Covid-19 Employee Check In Survey

- Gauge Employee Sentiment
- FREE from SWIFT BUNNY
  - 5 day run time
  - https://swiftbunny.com/
  - Easy Execution



- 1. I feel well-informed about updates to my company's response to COVID-19
- 2. My company is providing important and transparent information that is relevant to my job
- 3. Executive leadership has been visible and communicative during the COVID-19 pandemic
- 4. I believe executive leadership is making effective decisions in response to COVID-19
- 5. I am adapting well to changes in work conditions
- 6. I am confident in my company's ability to support our residents during the COVID-19 pandemic
- 7. I am receiving the support I need to perform my job
- 8. I am receiving the support I need regarding my personal needs
- 9. I feel safe carrying out my responsibilities during the COVID-19 pandemic
- 10.I am worried about how my life will be impacted in the future

## C-Suite Reporting

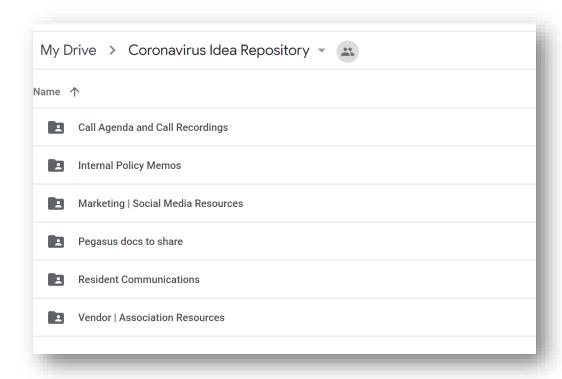
## **Anticipate Questions**

- Accountability
- Collections
- Evictions
- Expenses
- Team Management
- Bring Solutions NOT Problems
- Update regularly (weekly and as requested)



## Repository

- Email for access:
  - jharkness@tmg-living.com



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